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FROM ICRC USDEL

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SUBJECT: ICRC CONFERENCE ON WEAPONS

1. CONFERENCE OF GOVERNMENT EXPERTS ON CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS SPONSORED BY ICRC BEGAN ON SCHEDULE ON JAN 28 AND FINISHED GENERAL DEBATE ON JAN 30. APPROXIMATELY FORTY NATIONS ARE REPRESENTED. REPRESENTATION FROM LA, AFRICA, AND ASIA IS SLIM.

2. FROM STATEMENTS DURING GENERAL DEBATE AND FROM SIDE CONVERSATION USDEL HAS GAINED THE IMPRESSION THAT WE MAY EXPECT SERIOUS AND DETAILED STUDY OF THE ISSUES BY MOST DELEGATES AND THAT PREVAILING ATTITUDE IS MORE SKEPTICAL AND CRITICAL OF FAR-REACHING SWEDISH PROPOSALS THAN AT LUCERNE EXPERTS CONFERENCE IN 1974.

3. CONFERENCE WILL BEGIN CONSIDERATION OF INCENDIARY WEAPONS ON MONDAY, FEB 2, AND AT LEAST ONE OR TWO

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SUB-WORKING GROUPS ARE LIKELY TO BE FORMED TO

CONSIDER SEPARABLE ISSUES. IT SEEMS LIKELY THAT
WORK ON INCENDIARIES WILL TAKE ENTIRE WEEK,
ALTHOUGH LAND MINES AND BOOBY TRAPS WILL BE
INTRODUCED ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4.FINA

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